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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b)(4), the attorneys for the applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office United States patent No. 5,221,518 to Mills ("the Mills '518 patent") broadly related to the field of the invention of the application identified above.

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The Mills '518 patent is listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08. In accordance with Patent and Trademark Office guidelines, no copy of the '518 patent is being submitted with this statement since the patent is a United States patent document.

The attorneys for the applicants take no position on whether or not the Mills '518 patent constitutes prior art against the subject application under any particular provision of Title 35 of the United States Code.

The present information disclosure statement is being submitted simultaneously with a request for continued examination (RCE) of the application. A final Office Action was issued with respect to the subject application on 13 January 2005. Consequently, prosecution of the subject application is closed, as required under 37 CFR 1.114(b) for filing a request for continued examination. Accompanying the request for continued examination is a petition for a one-month extension of time to reply to the Office Action, so that the time for reply has been set for 13 May 2005. Consequently, the request for continued examination submitted herewith and the present information disclosure statement and a reply after final action constituting a submission accompanying the request for continued examination as required under 37 CFR 1.114(a)(c) are being timely submitted with a certificate of first class mailing before abandonment of the subject application as required under 37 CFR 1.114(a).

Entry of the present information disclosure statement and consideration of the Mills '518 patent are therefore permitted under 37 CFR 1.97(b)(4) and are hereby requested.

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